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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NORIHIRO SUZUKI, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/892,641

Filed: June 28, 2001

For: IMAGE DISPLAY APPARATUS
AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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Examiner: M. Santiago

Group Art Unit: 2879 /

April 15, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUMMARY OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicants respectfully wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended toward their representative during the personal interview of April 15, 2004.

The interview focused primarily on independent Claim 1 and the art applied thereto in the Office Action of January 14, 2004.

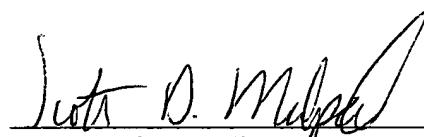
During the interview, it was pointed out that the secondary citation to Piasecki '520 relates to a cathode ray tube particle removal apparatus that dislodges particles with the use of "thumper mechanisms," and would therefore not be appropriate for use with a depressurized airtight container. In Piasecki the dislodging is done prior to assembly of the image display device.

The Examiner agreed to reconsider the rejection of Claim 1 and reopen prosecution on the merits.

Due consideration and prompt passage to issue are respectfully requested.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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